

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroaki TAKAIWA Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 10/589,665 Examiner: M. LIU

Filed: August 16, 2006 Docket No.: 129125

For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS PREVENTING GAS FROM MOVING FROM EXPOSURE

REGION TO MEASUREMENT REGION (as amended)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the April 1, 2009 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.